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DEPUTATION FROM LANCASHIRE.

Rugby, Yesterday. Lord Peel, opening the debate in the House of Lords on India, invited the Government to indicate the personnel and scope of the resumed meeting of the Round Table Conference. If Gandhi was to be the sole representative of Congress, it was to be noted that from recent meetings at Karachi it did not appear that the views of Congress were either unanimous or homogeneous. He urged the importance of safeguards especially for minorities, and expressed anxiety at the present state of communal relations.

Lord Rending said that the substance of the safeguards and reservations stated by him to the committee which had been accepted by the Government and pronounced for by the Prime Minister, were part and parcel of the whole question of responsibility at the centre. Referring to the Cawnpore massacres, he asked what steps were to be taken to prevent a recurrence of such incidents, and dealing with the recent warnings of Sir Geoffrey de Mont, Governor of the Punjab, about the spread of disorder, he appealed to the Government to give the Viceroy the fullest assurance of their support in any measures they might wish to take. In doing so they would have the support of both political parties and the country as a whole.

More Representation?

Lord Snell, Under Secretary for India, said that the Government proposed to invite the Indian delegates to London to resume the work of the Federal Structure Committee and the Government hoped that the committee deliberations would make progress here during the summer. The Indian representation on the committee was to be the same, but the Government was considering whether it would not be desirable to add to it the representatives of certain interests not directly represented on the original committee.

A definite statement as to the personnel could not be made until Lord Willingdon had had time to consider the matter.

The Government's plans contemplated bringing the problems which had been entrusted to the Federal Structure Committee under further discussion. The specific heads of inquiry referred to the committee when it sat in London were intended broadly to cover the whole field of the constitution and powers of the Federal or Central Government of the type contemplated by the Government. The plans sketched out in the Committee's two reports had left much of that unexplored.

The Government hoped that a further session would enable it, if not to complete the work, at all events to make specific progress towards its completion. The Government had no definite information as to the reception of individual rulers not present at the London Conference towards the scheme of Federation.

Hindus and Moslems.

The situation between Hindus and Moslems was a matter inherently delicate and the solution of which was primarily for Indians themselves. All that the Government could do was to reiterate what was placed in the forefront of the Prime Minister's declaration, that the new constitution must contain such guarantees as required by the minorities to protect their political liberties and rights.

That was one of the basic conditions on which not only the Government but all parties of the Conference took their stand.

Time was much too short since Lord Irwin's conversations with Gandhi to form any competent opinion of the effect of the agreement on trade movements, and he had no reason to think that this undertaking was being disregarded, although certain difficulties had arisen which were receiving the attention of the Government.

POLICEMEN FOUND IN OPIUM DIVAN.

Three to Be Dealt With Departmentally?

BAIL ESTREATED.

Three Shantung policemen and a Chinese district watchman were arrested in an opium divan at 14, Hing Heung Lane, during a raid carried out by revenue officers last night on the first floor. Others were also taken into custody.

When the case was mentioned before Mr. Schofield in the Central Magistracy this morning, it was stated that the principal offender was absent and his bail of \$700 was accordingly estreated. Another smoker of the drug, who absented himself, had his bail of \$3 estreated.

Youth Cautioned.

Revenue Officer Ward said that the man was on the first and second floors. A youth was employed to collect money from consumers on the first floor and obtain the opium from the master on the floor above. The youth, who was charged in Court, was cautioned by the Magistrate, whilst an elderly Chinese who admitted a charge of having smoked the drug was fined \$2.

It was intimated by Mr. Ward that the policemen and district watchman will probably be dealt with departmentally.

TOLL OF 'QUAKE.

OVER 1,000 PERSONS KILLED AND INJURED.

MOSCOW, YESTERDAY.

At least 392 persons were killed and 800 injured by the earthquake in the Caucasus. The districts of Gerusy and Sisiana suffered very severely, and the majority of the villages in the region of Zangezur were destroyed. Many cattle perished. The Soviet has assigned 2,000,000 roubles for the relief of sufferers. —Reuter.

Earlier Cable.

Over a hundred people are reported to have been killed and injured in an earthquake in three districts of the Soviet Republic of Nakhichevan, in Trans-Caucasia.

Several villages were completely destroyed, and in others more than half the houses were wrecked.

The Trans-Caucasian Government is taking vigorous measures for the relief of the sufferers. —Reuter.

London, Yesterday. Sixty Conservative Peers and Members of the House of Commons, including Lord Peel, Sir Samuel Hoare, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and other ex-Ministers, assembled in the House of Commons to-day and received a deputation from Lancashire regarding India and the cotton trade.

A letter from Mr. Stanley Baldwin was read in which he said that the "Conservative Party must judge how far it is possible to achieve the federal idea without surrendering any essential safeguards which are clearly stated and which we consider fundamental to any future settlement. The Party intends to use its fullest influence to support British traders, and insist that any settlement of the Indian situation should have the fundamental provision of prohibiting unfair discrimination against British trade."

Members of the delegation asked the Conservative Party's assistance on the ground that the British and Indian Governments had "failed to protect the cotton industry."

Mr. Demetriadis (of the Indian section of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce), describing the boycott of British goods in India, declared that unless the Government dealt both with the boycott and the import duty the British textile trade with India would certainly end.

Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Samuel Hoare assured the delegation of the Conservatives' sympathy and support. The delegation later saw Liberal politicians and the debate on the Budget has ended. —Reuter.

ATTACK ON ATTEMPT TO REDUCE WAGES.

Reducing Purchasing Power of Nation.

CURE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT.

Atlantic City, Yesterday. A vigorous attack on the attempts to reduce the workers' wages was made by Mr. Robert Lamont, Secretary of Commerce, in opening the session of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Lamont pointed out that the most prosperous period of the United States' history coincided with higher wages and shorter hours. He declared that the unemployment of millions of workers during the past year had reduced the Nation's purchasing power by thousands of millions of dollars, and if the incomes of those still employed were reduced by only 10 per cent, the loss of consuming power would amount to several more thousands of millions of dollars.

Mr. Lamont was sceptical of the efficacy of Government expenditure as a cure for unemployment, saying that though the expenditure of \$1,000,000,000 in a year would be helpful, it could not materially affect the situation. —Reuter's American Service.

K.C.C. DEBENTURES.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR FILING.

DELAYED SCHEME.

The Chief Justice, Sir Joseph H. Kemp, this morning, granted an application made by Mr. Leo d'Almada, J. J. on behalf of the Kowloon Cricket Club, for an extension of seven days from date in which to file with the Registrar particulars of a Debenture issue (\$5,000 at \$10 each).

It was explained by counsel that the resolution authorising the issue was passed at an extraordinary general meeting of members on August 22, 1930. Nothing further was done in the matter of registration, through inadvertence, until the attention of the President was officially called to the matter.

There had been some difficulty at one time with regard to the building scheme, and it looked as if the matter would be shelved and the money returned to the debenture holders. Later, it was decided to go on with the work, and the present application was put forward with that point in mind.

His Lordship was of opinion that the reason for not applying in October last was not a good one. The debentures had been issued, and there was an immediate obligation to register.

Mr. d'Almada said that the matter had been discussed with the Registrar, and his clients thought they were now adopting the proper course. He would take note of any direction His Lordship cared to make.

The order for extension was granted.

SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

ITALY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.

DELAY IN DELIVERY.

Rugby, Yesterday. Signor Balbo, the Italian Air Minister, speaking in the Italian Chamber, stated that it is doubtful if Italy would participate this year in the Schneider Trophy competition owing to the delay in delivery of seaplanes and engines by the constructors. If, however, prospects held even a slight chance of success, Italy would participate.

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BRITISH BUDGET.

RESOLUTIONS AGREED TO BY HOUSE.

DEBATE ENDED.

London, Yesterday. The House of Commons has agreed to the Budget resolutions, and the debate on the Budget has ended. —Reuter.

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EUROPEAN INJURED.

Cairo, Yesterday. Fortytwo people were burned to death or fatally injured by jumping from the train and 41 were injured in consequence of the Cairo-Alexandria express catching fire. Ten children were among the victims, all of whom were natives, except one injured Frenchwoman.

The driver was unaware that the train was alight and had travelled for several miles before a signalman warned him. —Reuter.

MARTIAL LAW.

Barbed Wire Barricades in Shanghai.

Shanghai, To-day.

The China Press Canton correspondent states that "in view of rumours of the unauthorized mobilisation of Kwangtung provincial troops" Consular authorities in Shanghai are making all preparations for the declaration of martial law in Shanghai. The old barbed wire barricades are again in evidence. —Reuter.

Seven Thousand Told to Leave Mexico.

NOT REGISTERED.

El Paso, Texas, Yesterday.

Seven thousand Americans are shortly to be expelled from Mexico, according to the Texas Herald Post, as the Mexican Government has discovered that they are living in Mexico without authority, having overstayed their six months' visas without registering themselves as permanent residents. —Reuter.

FURTHER DEFAULT OF N.S. WALES.

Payment to Be Met by the Commonwealth.

£204,000 DUE.

Canberra, Yesterday.

A further New South Wales default is announced by Mr. J. Scullin that £88,000 due to New York by May 29 on a 4½ per cent. loan, and £116,000 due in London by April 30 on a five per cent. loan, will not be paid.

With the difference in exchange these amounts are really much greater. The Commonwealth is meeting all payments. —Reuter.

NAVAL STRENGTH.

DATA BEING STUDIED BY UNITED STATES.

RECENT NEGOTIATIONS.

Washington, Yesterday. Mr. H. L. Stimson is carefully studying data regarding the Naval negotiations recently conducted in London, Paris and Rome. —Reuter's American Service.

Earlier News.

London, Yesterday.

That the situation as regards the proposed British-Franco-Italian naval agreement has not advanced since that of a few weeks ago, is shown by a statement of Mr. Henderson at question time in the House of Commons, that the British Government is still awaiting replies from the French and Italian Governments to the British statement with reference to recent French counter proposals.

LATER.

A suggestion that foreign Governments, notably Italy are stealing a march on Britain by securing large foreign orders for destroyers and other light warships, by advertising the high speeds which their craft have attained, was made at question time in the Commons.

Departure for Singapore.

Singapore, Today.

Kingsford-Smith's Southern Cross left for Singapore at 6 a.m. —Reuter.

Earlier News.

Singapore, Yesterday.

Kingsford-Smith's plane, the Southern Cross, with the air mail for England, arrived here at 2.10 p.m. —Reuter.

LONDON, Yesterday.

Another attempt to demonstrate the feasibility of speeding up the Imperial air mail service is being made by Captain Neville Stack, accompanied by Mr. J. R. Chaplin.

They left Lympne at daybreak to-day, in an effort to fly to Australia and back in twenty-one days.

Later.

Bad weather on the Continent has compelled Captain Stack to return to Lympne. —Reuter.

CASE AGAINST MRS. JENG SHEE.

Alleged Embezzlement of Gold \$25,000.

EXTRADITION SOUGHT.

Dates were fixed at the Central Police Court this morning by Mr. W. Schofield for hearing the documents read in the case in which Mrs. Jeng Shee is charged with the alleged embezzlement of Gold \$25,000 from California, and against whom the Crown is seeking extradition.

Mr. F. H. Loseby appeared for the defence, whilst Chief Detective Inspector Reynolds represented the Crown.

His Worship said that it was stated at a previous hearing that a representative of the U.S.A. Government was due in Hong Kong on May 2.

Mr. Loseby asked for dates to be fixed for the hearing, and submitted that if the documents produced were in order the fugitive could be sent back without any question, but if the documents were not in proper order there might be some legal argument.

His Worship fixed the afternoon of Tuesday for the hearing, and remanded accused till then.

EXPULSION ORDER FOR AMERICANS.

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Lights Undamaged.

None of the lights in the room

were damaged, in spite of the fact that the explosion took place almost immediately under a chandelier. The clock on the wall also remained untouched.

The name of the dead man is Liu Wan-sang, age 32; and the injured are P. C. Leo, Manager and part owner of the hotel (40), Li Ping-shao (18) cook, Chung Yam-hin (49) licensee of the hotel, Liu Kam (58) money changer of 55, Austin Road, Fung Yen (29) residing 53, Yee Chow Street, Man Lai-fong (39) residing at 171, Tung Tsoi Street, and Chan Muk-on (18) fok.

Ex-Military Officer.

The name of one of the wanted men in connection with the case is given as Young Kwan-ye, aged about 40 years, and stated to be an ex-military officer, formerly on the staff of General Chan Kwing-ming. This man formerly

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Male Chorus—Ducky Stevedore,

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Organ Solo—Just a Memory, Jesse Crawford (21053).

Male Trio—Bye Bye Sweetheart,
The Melody Three (21911).

6.30-7.10 p.m.—Orchestra,

Dance of the Hours (Ponchielli),
Victor Symphony Orchestra
(35833).

A Night in Vienna (Schaffer-Paepke),
A Night in Budapest (Schaffer-Paepke),
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The Sorcerer's Apprentice
(Paul Dukas),

Philharmonic Symphony
Orchestra (7021).

Afternoon of a Faun (Debussy),
Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra (6896).

7.10-7.45 p.m.—Pianoforte Solos.
Sonata Appassionata in F Minor
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Light Brown Hair; Oh! Susanna;
Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming;
Hard Times Come Again No More;
Angelina Baker; Gonna Annie;
Old Dan Tracy; Some Folks Like It
Slight; Old Black Joe; My Old Kentucky
Home; Massa's in Da Cold Ground;
Old Folks at Home.

8 p.m.—Local Time, Weather
Report, etc.

8.05-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio
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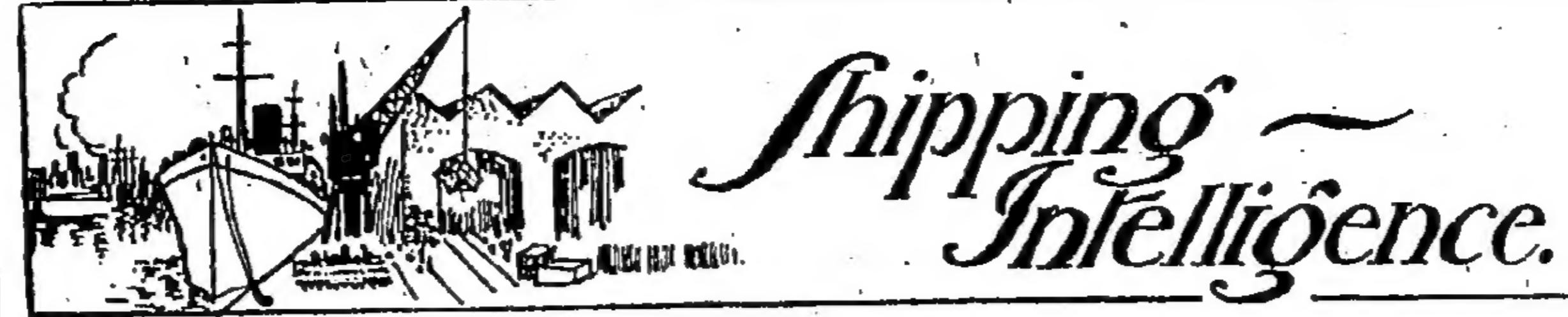
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SHIPPING TAX.
RECENT DECISION OF TURKISH GOVERNMENT.

The decision of the Turkish Government to impose a tax of five piastres on all cargo ships proceeding to the Black Sea in order to improve the country's life-saving service is, perhaps, not so unwelcome as most taxes which have to be borne by ships running to the Eastern Mediterranean and Black Sea, but it is a 100 per cent. increase on the present impost, states the Journal of Commerce.

The Turkish organisation for rescuing shipwrecked mariners first came up for discussion in 1866, and in consequence of the steps taken by foreign shipping interests in Constantinople was established in 1869. This organisation was paid for by a special tax of 15 paras per ton from each ship of over five tons leaving the Black Sea. This was increased to 20 paras a ton, and in 1920 to 100 paras. Even that was not sufficient, and later it became five piastres, but only on ships leaving the Black Sea. In 1923 the life-boat service became part of the Treasury.

With this money a number of stations have been established along the European and Anatolian coast, some of them being fitted with lifeboats, and all with rocket apparatus. The lightship service round the entrance to the Bosphorus is an integral part of the arrangement, and it must be said to the credit of the Turkish Government that within the last few years they have made every effort to make it as efficient as possible, enlisting the services of one of the principal Dutch experts on rocket and lifeboat work. In the batch of wrecks which recently occurred round the mouth of Dardanelles, the Turkish Life-saving Service were responsible for a number of rescues.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Tuesday, April 28.
 Benrinnis, British str., 3,071 tons, Capt. Reddle, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 Chungkong, Chinese str., 447 tons, Captain Kwok Shau, from Tourane, buoy. No. B18.—Yau Lee & Co.
 Groningen, Dutch str., 752 tons, Capt. J. H. Kop, from Haliphong, A.P.C. Wharf.—A.P.C. Haining, British str., 832 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.
 Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. A. Hall, from Saigon, buoy No. B21.—Wo Fat Sing.
 Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 1,383 tons, Capt. H. Oyama, from Swatow, O. S. K. Wharf.—O.S.K.
 Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Captain P. W. Crierison, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.
 Java, Danish str., 5,525 tons, Capt. A. Hjernum, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—John Manners & Co.
 Marly, Norwegian str., 657 tons, Capt. Hayland, from Manila, Yaumati Anchorage.—K. Larsen & Co.
 Nellore, British str., 4,256 tons, Captain S. L. Diamond, from Moji, Kowloon Dock.—M. M. & Co.
 Penang Maru, Japanese str., 8,280 tons, Capt. S. Hamaguchi, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Thracian, British str., 1,570 tons, Capt. G. A. Evans, from Swatow, buoy No. B20.—B. & S. Tjikembang, Dutch str., 5,020 tons, Capt. P. Abbo, from Muntok, buoy No. A4.—J.C.J.L.
 Tefian, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shaw, from Canton, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

U.S. SHIPYARDS.
27 LARGE VESSELS UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

Conditions in the shipbuilding industry in the United States are much more encouraging than at any time since the end of the post-war boom, according to Captain C. A. McAllister, president of the American Bureau of Shipping. The indications are, he said, that the industry will continue its present rate of activity for several years to come.

Referring to the award by the Eastern Steamship Lines of a contract for construction by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co. of two 22-knot passenger and cargo steamers at a cost of about \$3,500,000 each Captain McAllister pointed out that returns compiled by the bureau showed 27 ocean-going and Great Lakes vessels of 325,400 tons gross registered under construction in U.S. yards on March 1. On the same date there were under construction 122 miscellaneous vessels such as ferries, barges, tugs, fireboats, trawlers, lighters and yachts. These vessels bring the total under construction up to 149 vessels of 428,748 gross tons.

The larger vessels under construction include the two 30,000-ton cabin ships being built for the United States Lines by the New York Shipbuilding Co.; the Dollar Line's two 21,000-ton turbo-electric liners, President Hoover and President Coolidge, now being completed at Newport News; the Matson Navigation Co.'s three 18,500-ton passenger liners, the Mariposa, Monterey and Lurline, being built by the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation at Fore River, and the four 19,500-ton passenger liners ordered by the Grace Steamship Co. from the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.

The vessels of less than 10,000 gross tons include five 9,000-ton tankers ordered by the Motor Tankship Corporation and one of the same size ordered by the Standard Transportation Co., from the Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.; two 9,400-ton passenger and cargo liners, the Exeter and Excambion, ordered by the Export Steamship Corporation from the New York Shipbuilding Co.; three 7,000-ton turbo-electric passenger and cargo ships, ordered by the United Mail Co., a subsidiary of the United Fruit Co., from the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.; two 9,400-ton passenger and cargo ships, ordered by the United Mail Co., a subsidiary of the United Fruit Co., from the Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.

Others in the list are the 6,100-ton tanker Hary F. Sinclair, Jr., being built for the Sinclair Navigation Co., by the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation at Fore River; and the 5,000-ton passenger steamer Florida being built for the Peninsular and Occidental Steamship Co., by the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.

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•COMORIN	15,132	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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•ALIPORE	5,271	2nd June	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
•KASHMIR	8,985	6th June	Mars., U.S.A., Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
•RANIPURA	16,601	20th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
•KASHI GAR	9,005	4th July	Marsilles, U.S.A., Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
•RAWALPINDI	16,619	18th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
•PERIM	7,618	25th July	Marsilles, London.
•KHYBER	9,111	1st Aug.	Marsilles, U.S.A., Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
•SOMALI	—	4th Aug.	Marsilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
RAJPUTANA	14,568	15th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
•PADUA	5,939	22nd Aug.	Marsilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
•KARMALA	9,128	29th Aug.	Marsilles & London.
CATHAY	16,121	12th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
•SOUUDAN	—	19th Sept.	Marsilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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		1931.	
TILAWA	10,006	8th May	Amoy, Shai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHMIR	8,985	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	9,690	8th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
RANIPURA	15,601	22nd May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	25th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	4th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	6th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
•PERIM	7,648	10th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	18th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	10th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
•SOMALI	—	27th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
SIRDHANA	7,754	2nd July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	3rd July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NELORE	6,853	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama.
TILAWA	10,006	13th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAJPUTANA	16,588	17th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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KARMALA	9,128	31st July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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THE HOOVER AND THE COOLIDGE.

Mr. R. Stanley Dollar recently announced that Captain Fred E. Anderson has been appointed Commander of the new Dollar Liner President Hoover.

A further announcement by Mr. R. Stanley Dollar notifies the appointment of Captain K. A. Ahlin as Master of the new Dollar Liner President Coolidge. For the past several years, Captain Ahlin has been in command of the President Taft of the trans-Pacific service of the Dollar Steamship Line. Prior to that, he was master of the President Hayes of the Dollar Line Round-the-World service. He is one of the most efficient and popular skippers of the Dollar Line fleet and his many friends all over the world will rejoice in knowing that he has been appointed to command the President Coolidge.

The building programme of the Dollar Steamship Lines provides for a fleet of new steamers to be used in their various services, the first of which, the President Hoover, which was launched at Newport News on December 9 last, was christened by Mrs. Herbert Hoover with a bottle of water collected from the seven seas by commanders of Dollar Line vessels.

The President Coolidge was launched at Newport News, Va., on February 21 last by Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, wife of the former President of the United States.

The President Hoover and her sister ship, the President Coolidge, are the largest electric liners in the world, and have also the distinction of being the largest ships to be constructed in America. The cost of these steamers is \$8,000,000 each.

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The President Hoover will begin her maiden voyage from New York on August 6, arriving in Hong Kong on September 21, while the President Coolidge will begin her maiden voyage from New York on October 21, arriving in Hong Kong on November 16, and both of these new steamers will be employed in the Dollar Steamship Line trans-Pacific Service operating between New York and Manila, making the ports of call en route of Manila, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco; thence to New York via the Panama Canal, making stops at the Port of Los Angeles, Balboa, Cristobal (Panama Canal Zone), Havana (Cuba).

CRUISER SHORTAGE.

Not Building Even Up To Treaty Standard.

Lord Lloyd, speaking at a meeting of the Brighton and Hove Branch of the Navy League discussed the question, "Are the Government and the Admiralty providing us with a Navy adequate to protect our Empire, to defend our sea routes?"

According to Lord Beatty and Lord Jellicoe, he said, the minimum number of cruisers adequate for work with the Battle Fleet and for the protection of our sea roads was 70.

The Government, in the Naval Treaty, had reduced this to 50, and at the present rate of progress in 1936 there would be barely 39 effective cruisers, instead of 114 as at the outbreak of the war.

During the war we had 382 effective destroyers and some 120 additional older and smaller craft. At the present rate of building, instead of 382 we should have only 75. We were not even building up to the limit allowed under the Treaty.

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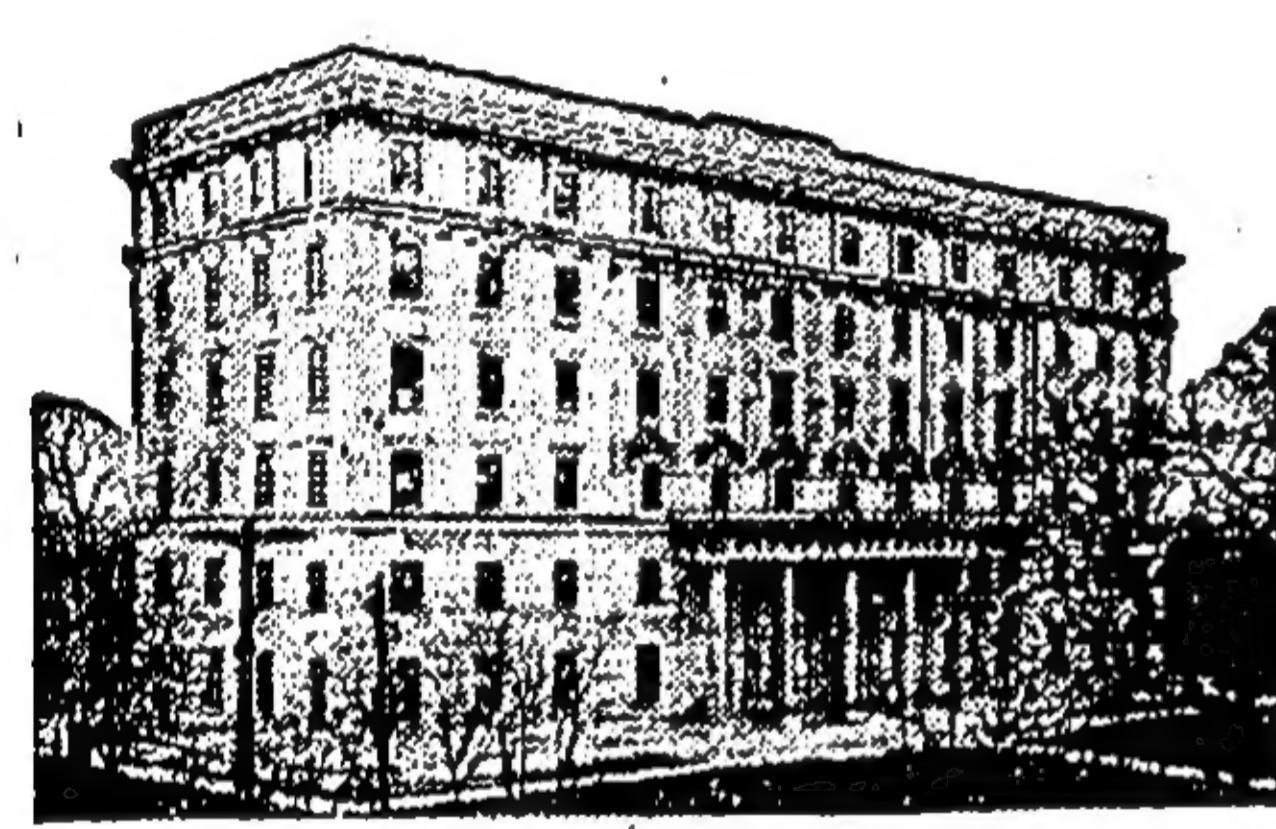
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Case for Reduction.

In the news columns of the *China Mail* to-day we publish the report of an address delivered in Atlantic City yesterday before the Chamber of Commerce by Mr. Robert Lamont, Secretary of Commerce, in which he is given as saying that a reduction of the wages of workers in the United States would further delimit the purchasing power of the people and add a fresh burden to the heavy losses sustained by trade, due largely to unemployment.

The situation in Great Britain resembles closely that obtaining in the United States, and Mr. Lamont's criticism may be applied with equal justice to the industrial crises obtaining at Home. Negotiations are still being pursued between the various trades and industries and the Government, and the decisions on a number of important questions affecting wages are being taken. In fact, it would seem that there is, if not what some Labour politicians have described as an "organised attack" on wages, at least fairly general feeling among employers, in whose demands for reductions most of these questions originate, that now if ever public opinion will support them in asking for sacrifices from labour.

Their strongest argument, of course, is that industry cannot afford the present wages. You cannot, they say, get more out of an industry than there is in it. If you try to, what there is will disappear, since the industry will be put out of business. More

over, the cost of living at Home has fallen recently so much (from 60 per cent. above 1914 at the end of February) to 50 per cent. above at the same time this year) that even if wages are cut by, say, five per cent. all round, labour will still be getting more than a year ago.

These arguments appear to us, as they stand, to be flawless, and there is much justice in their application to some industries, in which the present depression is the result of a world crisis largely due to monetary causes.

There is some justice, too, in the statement that the sheltered industries, such as transport, have profited at the expense of those which have to compete in international markets, and that wages in them are unduly high in relation to the standard of living in the country at large and in the world. The argument of those who say that high wages mean more purchasing power, which is one of the strong arguments of Mr. Lamont's case against reduction, and that they are, therefore, good for industry in the long run, are sound if applied only to the whole of the world's wages. If consistently applied by any one country they would lead only to inflation and bankruptcy, and still more so if they were applied by any one industry. They cannot even be considered by Britain while she continues to compete for world trade; and it is possible that the same reason would justify reductions of the present wages in many industries, even if these industries were working as efficiently as is possible for them.

Here, however, we come upon an argument which is very damaging to the employers' case. If labour is to be asked to make sacrifices, it should be made quite clear that every other means of reducing costs has first been tried or is to be tried. Unfortunately, in many of Britain's industries, and notably in some of those in which disputes are now in progress or pending, it is quite clear that they are not working anything like as efficiently as they might. The only way to make Great Britain prosperous, and thus be able to pay high wages all round, is to put her industries into a paying condition. Minimum Wage Acts will not do it, and neither will reductions of wages, unless they are accompanied by reforms which will bring Great Britain abreast of modern practice. If she could achieve that, both Acts and reductions might be desired no longer.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 74 degrees. The humidity was 89 at 10 a.m. and 78 at 4 p.m.

According to a report from the Au Tau Police Station, the body of a Chinese youth named Wan was picked up by the side of a fish pond. He had apparently been drowned.

Au Yee, a woman living at 36 Cheung Sha Wan Road, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from the effects of a drug called "Ma tsin," which she is alleged to have taken in an attempt to commit suicide.

Li Cheung, a shoemaker, of 262 Queen's Road Central, was sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from a stab wound in the left side of the body, stated to have been inflicted by a man who is alleged to have absconded.

The local branch manager of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co., Toronto, received a telegram yesterday from the Head Office advising the death from heart failure on Monday of the General Manager and Vice-President, Mr. J. B. McKechnie.

The Hong Kong Government is informed with reference to the recent announcement by the Chinese Government that foreigners entering Shanghai after May 1, 1931, will require to have Chinese visas on their passports, that this regulation will not be enforced in respect of British residents of Hong Kong.

In celebration of the birthday of His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, a reception was held by the Consul and his wife (Mr. and Mrs. T. Yoshida) at their home, No. 7A, Conduit Road, yesterday afternoon. H.E. the Governor was represented by Capt. T. A. H. Cottman, A.D.C. Others present included Major General J. W. Sandlands, Captain Cameron, A.D.C., Commodore A. H. Walker, and the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn and Mrs. Southorn.

Whilst a lorry, which was carrying six coolies, was proceeding along Connaught Road West, a sudden swerve near Eastern Street caused two men to fall off backward to the road. One suffered slight abrasions, whilst the other became unconscious. Both were removed to the Government Civil Hospital where, it is stated, the latter regained consciousness and both are progressing favourably. The lorry was travelling at a speed of 14 miles an hour at the time.

THINGS THAT SPOIL COUNTRYSIDE.

A "Devil's Catalogue" of Offences.

A "Devil's Catalogue" of things which deface the countryside was enumerated by Mr. A. B. Knapp-Fisher in a lecture to the Architectural Association in London recently.

Referring to the urgent need of arresting the daily disfigurement of the countryside, Mr. Knapp-Fisher said that builders without sense or conscience were responsible for the erection of thousands of ugly dwellings, ill-placed, completely out of harmony with their surroundings, and having all the appearance of an unsightly disease.

"No one, I suppose," he went on, "sets out governed by malice to disfigure the countryside. If it were so, the remedy would be easy—to clap all the offenders into prison."

"The cause is more insidious; it is a cause born of ignorance, of lack of education and culture, of an absence of any aesthetic sense, of a wrong scale of values—with pecuniary gain as the motive."

"The ugly resultant fact is that many of our old villages, our historic buildings, and the serene and natural charm of the most lovely country is in process of being taken away from us and our children and our children's children—who cannot be blamed if they rise up and curse us for our folly."

"It is a curious paradox that the more man seeks the country, so ill does he use it that the less country is there for him to find. Men's minds can be so obscured by material and immoral conditions that they lose all sensibility to the really finer essentials of life."

"Shoddiness and Vulgarity."

"It is true that we live in an age in which the clash and din of money-making, of so-called, progress and competition, drown the still small voice of truth, quality, and good manners; and in which the need of beauty is lost in a haystack of rank mediocrity, shoddiness and vulgarity."

"Just as medical science tries to keep pace with bodily disease, so education, legislation, and example must keep pace with the microbes

THE O.T.C. 'CUT' WILL NOT MATTER.

What the Public Schools Think of It.

PARENTS' POSITION.

Public schools throughout Britain were discussing the cut in the grants to Officers' Training Corps, that was announced by Mr. Shaw, the Minister for War, in his speech on the Army Estimates in the House of Commons.

Henceforth no boy under the age of 15 will be recognised as a member of an O.T.C. and there will be no grant for boys under 16. Boys of 15 may go to camp with the O.T.C. but no boy will be supplied with equipment until he is 16. Parents of younger boys who wish them to enter the Corps must act on their own responsibility.

"The smaller schools are the ones chiefly affected by the curtailment of the grants," said Major Haworth, commanding officer of Stowe School, O.T.C. "But it is hardly likely that any of them will suffer any great reduction in numbers, for if the parents have to foot the bill entirely it only amounts to a few pounds a year."

"At Stowe our subscription is 10s. a term and 30s. for the week at camp. We also receive a grant of £1 4s. 8d. for each boy. You can see from this that if a father wishes his boy to join the Corps before he is 16 it is not going to be a very expensive luxury."

Young Boys Not Encouraged.

The cut in the grants will have practically no effect on the Harrow School O.T.C., which consists chiefly of senior boys.

"We do not encourage the young boys to join the Corps," said Dr. Norwood, the head master of Harrow. "We do not care about boys of 15 going to camp where they will have to move about among boys of 17 and 18 and perform equally strenuous duties with them. It imposes too great a strain on a growing boy."

"The cut will affect our numbers slightly, but it will not make any difference to our efficiency," said Mr. Frank Fletcher, the head master of Charterhouse School.

"No boy here is allowed to join in his first year, but we have 50 or 60 members below the age of 16, and some of these may drop out. But we do not depend on grants alone to maintain our corps, and I do not expect any great falling off."

"It certainly is not going to shatter our O.T.C.," said Captain Pavill, of St. Paul's School.

"We will have less money, but the training will go on, although it will be more difficult to train the members as thoroughly as one would wish."

WOMAN'S SUCCESS.

PASSES FINAL EXAMINATION IN THEORY OF WAR.

NO SPIRIT OF REVENGE.

Mrs. Gordon Potts, of Dial House, Datchet, has just passed at Oxford her final examination in military operations and theory of war. Mrs. Potts, who is the first woman to obtain this distinction, is the wife of Mr. Gordon Francis Alan Potts, a Mathematical master at Eton College.

"I took the examination," she states, "because my husband hopes, later, to do some diplomatic work, and I thought that I might possibly help him. I want emphatically to deny that this examination was taken in any spirit of revenge on the University authorities. I took the examination because I wanted to get my degree."

Mrs. Potts sat for her examination in June last and left her college, St. Hugh's, three days before the end of the term without giving notice, with the result that her name was removed from the books. It was, she states, simply a case of thoughtlessness on her part; she knew that she should have asked permission, but she was feeling tired. She had sat for her examination but she never knew the result, as her papers were torn up and she was not allowed to see them. Later her name was removed from the books and she was allowed to take her examination this year, with the result stated.

Mr. Potts had only recently joined the staff at Eton College, and this is his second half.

of ignorance and avarice which are so rampant to-day."

The main offences against the amenities of the countryside, said Mr. Knapp-Fisher, were: The erection of ugly buildings; "trib-bob" development; badly laid-out roads and towns, and the disregard of "zoning"; the disfigurement and demolition of historic buildings, bridges, etc.; disfiguring, patrol pumps, and stations; blatant, vulgar and misplaced advertisements; overhead cables; litter; the pollution of rivers, canals, etc.; unnecessary noise; and the uncheckered and unregulated means of transport.

DIVORCED WOMAN AND YOUTH.

Court Story of Money and Infatuation.

NO DELICACY.

Mr. John Reginald Hudson, of Grassholme, Stratford-on-Avon, who was sued at Westminster County Court, by Paquin, Ltd., for £79 7s. 1d., was stated to be a young man who became infatuated with a woman about ten years his senior, Mrs. R. V. Ferguson, of West Horsley, on whom he had lavished money and for whom he gave an order to Paquin's for a fur-trimmed coat and beret hat.

Mrs. Ferguson said that she had divorced her first husband, married a second time and had been divorced by her second husband, Mr. Hudson, to whom she said she was engaged for a time had spent about £200 on clothes for her.

Judge Sir Alfred Tobin: Had you not any delicacy about accepting gifts from a man to whom you had been engaged after you had broken off the engagement?—No, he had accepted my hospitality many times.

Judge Sir Alfred Tobin: Had taken Mrs. Ferguson to his father's house at Christmas. His father, in consequence of the relationship, had threatened to cut him off and have nothing more to do with him. His father had allowed him £40 a week, but reduced it to about £15.

Judge Tobin: Did you meet her and lunch with her after that? Mr. Hudson: Yes.

Judge Tobin: Why, if she was a "gold digger" and you were annoyed with her?—Because I happened to be very fond of the "gold-digger."

"Very Weak."

Why put yourself in the way of temptation of the wheedling "gold-digger" by inviting her to lunch?—I was very weak, as I have been the whole time.

Did you tell her that you wanted to marry her?—I certainly did tell her that. She accepted me until my father said that he would cut me off and then she did not want me.

Judge Tobin said that in the words of olden days when people called a spade a spade Mrs. Ferguson was a "baggage," and in words of old books Mr. Hudson would have been called a "dirty cad," gone to the bad because of the absurd, egregious allowance which he said he had been receiving from his father. He was sorry that the plaintiffs should have had to embark on a litigation involving such shameless, disgraceful, disclosures as had been made

MYSTERIOUS SWAMP OF BRAHMAPUTRA.

What Strange Beasts Lurk in the Depths?

NO GIGANTIC FALLS.

I am sick to death of that mystery of the Brahmaputra which is connected with the course of the river between the point at which it leaves Tibet and the point at which it enters British territory, writes "Kim" in the Calcutta Statesman. I am convinced, now, that there are no gigantic falls, and that the river descends from the Himalayas in a series of cascades after the manner of other Himalayan rivers. Far more mysterious and wonderful than its vagaries in tribal territories are the vagaries of the Brahmaputra after it enters Assam.

World's Biggest Swamps.

Do you know that this river is responsible for creating the biggest swamps in the world? I am not including the delta which it makes—with the Ganges. I refer to the swamps in Assam. At all kinds of odd points the river has thrown out an arm which embraces hundreds of square miles before it touches the original trunk again. That sacred part which the Assamese call Majnuli, comprising about five hundred square miles of sandbank and swamp, is the result of the Brahmaputra throwing out its waters at one point and receiving them again at another. Many of the swamps have never been penetrated by man, particularly, by the European.

The waters lie, silent, sluggish and dull, as unknown at the alleged falls. Monstrous vegetable growths keep the soil together, myriads of wild fowl scream overhead, and when the waters are disturbed by a ripple there are no human eyes to note what that animal was whose snout protruded for a moment.

Legendary Monsters.

I remember suggesting once that in these swamps, if anywhere, was to be found that giant iguana or



"Hey, come back; don't you know this is the tenth floor?"

Suicide: "Good of you to tell me. I thought it was the fifteenth, I'll go higher."

Smith's Weekly, Sydney.

iguana of which Indian forest legends tell—the real, the original bis-cobra. To-day the bis-cobra has dwindled down to the harmless lizard that shrills tuck-too, tuck-too from the walls of bungalows in Eastern Bengal, but the legendary bis-cobra is larger than a king-cobra and heavier than a crocodile. It spits poison.

Anyways, sportsmen who have haunted the edge of the swamps say that sometimes they have caught a glimpse of some vague and shadowy thing that might well have been an iguana. But now I have a new idea. There has recently been discovered a new species of rhinoceros in Java. It is known as the scaled rhinoceros, and it is found in the fever swamps of the south, swamps which resemble in all particulars those formed by the Brahmaputra in Assam.

Thrilling Book.

The existence of the scaled rhinoceros was suspected in the last century. Mr. Joseph Delmont in his "Catching Wild Beasts Alive," an exciting book printed by Hutchinson, says that in 1894 an expedition set out for the Java swamps in the hope of taking a scaled rhinoceros alive. The leader set out with a hundred followers and returned with only fifty, fever and desertion having accounted for the rest. He had caught nothing. The first scaled rhino was shot in 1920, the second in 1921. In both cases the sportsmen were Americans. In the second case the hide was brought in as a trophy, and set the doubts of all the naturalists at rest.

Why Not?

Why should not the scaled rhinoceros also be found in the Assamese swamps? To those who smile at the question, I say: "Do you remember the case of the takin?" One or two planters on the Sadiya side had the skin and horns of the beast, purchased from Abors and Mishmis, but for the rest nobody would believe in the existence of an animal which was half a goat and half a buffalo. To-day there is a takin in the zoo in London.

What about the okapi? There was a time when people refused to believe in the gorilla, and Du Chaillu was called a liar in the best scientific circles.

IT'S A-B-C PARTIES NOW.

Fancy-Dressing to the Alphabet.

MYSTERY SOLVED.

Has London been having Letter-parties? Paris is enjoying them greatly, especially the British Colony, which takes them in two languages. You are given a letter and everything you wear has to begin with that letter—even the within, because a committee of your own sex will see to that.

And it is surprising how difficult it is. The most beautiful British woman in Paris went to a party of this sort one Saturday in five draped bandanas (mouchoirs), with mules (French bedroom slippers) on her feet, and a mantle, mittens, and a mantilla.

Her husband had caught the awkward letter P, and wore pyjamas, the pink of his own hunt, Pumps, and—Puttees! It is true that the puttees were made of black satin, but still . . . pyjamas are thin, but he was quite safe in wearing pants below them. I know a man who is waiting to be given K, in order that he may go in a Kilt, a Kris, and a Kukri! These belligerent Scots!

Ever since Madame de Noailles became the first woman to be made a Commander of the Legion of Honour, Paris has been wondering as I have, related, where and how she will wear the cravat. Well, now we know. Many thanks to Van Dongen for telling us. Having some sense, although a poetess, she has decided to wear it where cravats are worn (especially as it is becoming).

So Van Dongen has painted her (for that spoiled child of the easel) cannot be out of anything), all complete with the new decoration. It gives a sort of 1885 effect to her costume, and she has her hands clasped in a kind of ecstasy of submission.

But she is looking rather pleased with herself, and that is partly the fault of the photographer who flash-lighted poetess, painter, and picture. The talk-tongues of Paris say that the camera has recorded what the artist was suppressing. But those who have seen the picture say that he has not suppressed it at all. We live in odd times when portrait-painters, far from hiding unfinished work, invite or submit to the visit of photographers.

And it is hard on the sitter to have the flashlight to face. Minus the self-satisfied hands, her closed eyes give a Napoleonic calm to her face. Van Dongen comes out best in the photograph of a canvas which will be the centre of interest at the next Salon. Trust him!

That Serious Census.

Soon large numbers of very bored young typists of both sexes, who have never heard of us, and hope they won't, will know exactly how old we are, if we ever had a measles, and many more kindred matters. In other words, the Census is upon us, and it's all very well to laugh, but it is more serious than that.

As head of a household—and there's got to be one—one has to swear that at midnight on March 8 certain people were under one's roof and certain people weren't.

One supposes that Census officials know all about Ananias and Sapphira, and make a reduction for them. But this year somebody has thought fit to say that all this numbering of people (which caught a spot of bother when the Old Testament was in process of building) ought to be most seriously taken by the French nation, because the information thus received will be so useful to the officials who are going to bleed the French nation in the name of the French national good.

Well, well, we'll see. There is a Gauguin Exhibition in Paris, and everybody is rather bored with it. Now, I remember the time when you had to see Gauguin (like Naples) and die. I remember also, at an early London show, a harassed elder sister of the sheltered classes trying to deal with a younger one, who said that a particularly frightful brown lady surrounded by orchids of a nasty nature "was like something rather queer out of 'The Mikado'."

The present collection reminds nobody that Gauguin was once looked upon as a Messiah in painting. It only reminds us of the amusing stories with which he provided us, and which have lasted longer than his paintings have, in the opinion of Paris. This French bourgeois banker, who went painting in Brittany, and then to the South Seas, came back again and went to ask for a job from a Minister.

It sounds very sensible. But he was dressed in yellow and green, with coloured ribbons, khaki trousers—and he was asking for a Government job!—Evening News.

THE END OF MRS. GRUNDY.

New Freedom of the Sands.

CONCESSIONS TO BATHERS.

Great Britain's seaside resorts have decided that the reign of Mrs. Grundy must cease.

Bathers this Summer will be allowed much greater freedom than in the past. Sun-bathing is to be fostered, and visitors who wish to walk down to the sea from hotels and boarding-houses with mackintoshes or cloaks over their bathing dresses will generally be allowed to do so.

The following reports show how some of the chief seaside resorts will encourage bathing this Summer:

Bournemouth. — Cloak-bathers and sun-bathers are to be given adequate facilities this Summer in special areas, but the use of motor cars as bathing machines will not be allowed.

Poole. — To make sun-bathing available for all, a "paper-bag system" is to be adopted. A bather using a corporation tent will put his clothes in a bag, which is then sealed, numbered, and handed to an attendant. The tent is then vacant for others, and the bather can stay on the sands as long as he or she likes before dressing.

Eastbourne. — Last year's free-and-easy bathing arrangements will be continued this year at reduced charges. Mackintosh bathing will be allowed until 9 a.m. After then such bathers will be required to use stations where a small fee will be charged.

Hastings. — Mackintosh bathing will be allowed, and sun-bathing will be fostered under the supervision of the medical officer of health.

Folkestone. — The hours during which people may bathe without the use of a tent has been extended at certain parts of the beach. On the East Cliff sands bathing from the beach is permitted at all hours, and bathers may undress in hotels or motor cars.

Ramsgate. — To enable bathers to reach the sea without crossing the front road, a bathing promenade is brought up to date, and the regulations are contemplated.

Broadstairs. — By-laws are being brought up to date, and the regulation requiring women bathers to be clothed from neck to knee will probably be abolished.

Brighton. — The regulation requiring bathing costumes to extend from neck to knee has been abolished. For years Brighton has turned a blind eye to "offences" under the old bathing by-laws. The new ones are based on modern views. There will be no veto on sunbathing.

Weymouth. — There will be no petty restrictions, and mackintosh bathing will continue.

Bognor Regis. — Bathing will be allowed from motor cars in private parks, but not from cars parked on the public highway.

BYZANTIUM'S WALLS.

Proposed Demolition Controversy.

Some Turks, who dislike being reminded of the past glories of Byzantium, as indicated by the old and picturesque walls which still surround Stamboul, suggest that these walls should now be demolished and that the material should be used to rebuild the ruined quarters of the city, destroyed by fire during recent years.

The subject is being discussed in the Press, but it is clear that those in favour of demolition are few in number. Their argument is to the following effect: "Let us get rid of these old ruins, which only form a blot on the landscape, and use the stones to build modern houses. Have not the French pulled down the walls which once surrounded Paris?"

Those of a contrary opinion, however, reply, "All countries respect and preserve the monuments of antiquity existing within their territories, no matter to what race or religion they belonged. Our old walls form imposing and interesting relics of ancient Byzantium, and they continue to be of great interest to the thousands of tourists who visit our city every year."

"Stamboul is not cramped by these walls, as there is much space still available within the city. Besides, we must not forget the economic point of view. These tourists bring money into the country, and we should do all we can to attract them by preserving these old monuments."

"The walls of Paris were not monuments of antiquity, and they formed an obstacle to the expansion of the city."

In the end, the disputants have come to the conclusion that these walls should be preserved, as they stand, at least for the present.

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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Ingagi."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "Those Three French Girls."

To-day—Central Theatre; "Light of Western Stars."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "True to the Navy."

To-day—World Theatre; "Story of Movieland," Part II, (Chinese picture).

Saturday—Ambulance Concert, King's College, 9 p.m.

Lammet's Auction.

Saturday—at 74A Nathan Road, Kowloon, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Home Malls.

To-morrow—Inward from London (Sarpedon), from Europe via Siberia (Terukuni Maru); Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Terukuni Maru), 6 p.m.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 9.

Miscellaneous.

To-morrow—Whist Drive at H.K.S. Brigade, R.A., Sergeant's Mess, Gun Club Hill, 8.45 p.m.

Saturday—Prize distribution, Wah Yan College, 2.30 p.m.

NEW YORK'S WATER.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT SCHEME.

Albany, Yesterday. Governor Roosevelt has signed the Coraire Water-Power Bill, committing the State of New York to a \$317,000,000 hydroelectric development scheme on the St. Lawrence, in which the Canadian province of Ontario is participating.—Reuter's American Service.

Well, well, we'll see. There is a Gauguin Exhibition in Paris, and everybody is rather bored with it. Now, I remember the time when you had to see Gauguin (like Naples) and die. I remember also, at an early London show, a harassed elder sister of the sheltered classes trying to deal with a younger one, who said that a particularly frightful brown lady surrounded by orchids of a nasty nature "was like something rather queer out of 'The Mikado'."

The present collection reminds nobody that Gauguin was once looked upon as a Messiah in painting. It only reminds us of the amusing stories with which he provided us, and which have lasted longer than his paintings have, in the opinion of Paris. This French bourgeois banker, who went painting in Brittany, and then to the South Seas, came back again and went to ask for a job from a Minister.

It sounds very sensible. But he was dressed in yellow and green, with coloured ribbons, khaki trousers—and he was asking for a Minister.

The walls of Paris were not monuments of antiquity, and they formed an obstacle to the expansion of the city.

In the end, the disputants have come to the conclusion that these walls should be preserved, as they stand, at least for the present.

RENEGADES

COMING JULY.

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INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS MEETING.

St. Paul's College As
Premiers.

WIN GOVERNOR'S SHIELD.

St. Paul's College, with 41 points, won the Governor's Shield at the Inter-School sports meeting held at Caroline Hill ground yesterday afternoon. Chiu Ping-hung was mainly responsible for their victory, as he took first place in the 100 yards, 220 yards, and broke the record in the high jump and long jumps events, clearing a height of 5 feet 4½ inches, and jumping a distance of 20 feet 3½ inches, respectively.

Leung Kam-to, of Queen's College, who won the mile, ran a well-judged race, and took the lead early. St. Paul's College man came second, whilst Miller placed Central British School third.

The 220 yards Ellis Kadoorie Challenge Cup was carried off by A. Hunt, of Queen's College. He finished in great style. The Relay Race over one mile was won by St. Paul's College.

At the conclusion of the events, the Rev. A. D. Stewart, M.A., congratulated the winning team. The School Championship Shield had been won three times each by St. Joseph's College and St. Paul's. St. Paul's now won it a fourth time.

Sir William Hornell congratulated the winners and runners-up and commented on the increasing interest taken in inter-school sports—an interest which he hoped would not be relaxed in the future. He commented on the excellent condition of the runners. He hoped to see next year, not only inter-school boys' sports, but also inter-school girls' sports. (Applause.)

The Schools participating were—Diocesan School, Central British School, King's College, Munro's College, Queen's College, St. Paul's College, St. Stephen's College, and Ying Wah College.

RESULTS.

100 Yards.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Lai Khoon-hian (St. Stephen's College); 3, R. J. Reed (Diocesan Boys' School). Time:—11 secs.

Long Jump.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Lai Khoon-hian (St. Stephen's College); 3, Li Tim (Diocesan Boys' School). Distance:—20 ft. 3½ ins. (Record).

220 Yards.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Ching Chuan (St. Paul's College); 3, A. Hunt (Queen's College). Time:—24 4/5 secs.

One Mile.—1, Leung Kam-to (Queen's College); 2, Cheung Shiu-kwai (St. Paul's College); 3, J. V. E. Miller (Central British School). Time:—5 mins, 26 ½ secs.

Putting-the-Shot.—1, Kwoh Ching (St. Stephen's College); 2, Lau Tak-yeo (King's College); 3, Kwang Ping-chi (St. Stephen's College). Distance:—32 ft. 6½ ins.

440 Yards (Ellis Kadoorie Challenge Cup).—1, A. Hunt (St. Paul's College); 2, R. J. Reed (Diocesan Boys' School); 3, Arculli (Queen's College) and Chan Fook-tim (Queen's College). Time:—59 secs.

High Jump.—1, Chiu Ping-hung (St. Paul's College); 2, Tam Ying-nee (St. Stephen's College) and Lai Khoon-hian (St. Stephen's College). Height:—5 ft. 4½ ins. (Record).

Half Mile (Canton Nanyang Brothers Challenge Cup).—1, Cheung Shiu-nam (St. Paul's College); 2, R. Phillips (Central British School); 3, Iqbal Singh (Diocesan Boys' School). Time:—22 mins, 24 ½ secs.

120 Yards Low Hurdles.—1, Lai Khoon-hian (St. Stephen's College); 2, Tse Chi-kan (Ying Wah College); 3, Marker (Queen's College). Time:—16 secs.

Senior Relay Race (Sir Paul Chater Cup).—1, St. Paul's College; 2, Queen's College; 3, St. Stephen's College.

OFFICIALS.

Starters:—Messrs. Ko Sik-wai and Evan G. Stewart.

Judges:—Messrs. H. G. Wallington, E. C. Thomas, J. A. Gaunt, J. J. Ferguson, F. A. Britton, L. B. Holmes, T. J. Price, and Kwoh Man-ho.

Clerk of the Course:—Mr. Tso Yuk-wa.

BRINGING UP FATHER

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

Ayr United Escape
Relegation.

KILMARNOCK BEATEN.

London, Yesterday. In the Scottish League Ayr United beat Kilmarnock by one goal to nil to-day.—Reuter.

Ayr United, by their win over their Ayrshire rivals, just escape relegation by the narrow margin of two points, the two Clubs to move down being Hibernians and East Fife.

The completed Scottish League table is as under:

	P. W. D. L.	F. A. Pts.
Rangers	38 27 6 5	96 60
Celtic	38 24 10 4	91 34 58
Motherwell	38 24 8 6	102 42 56
Partick	38 24 5 9	76 43 53
Hearts	38 19 6 13	90 63 44
Aberdeen	38 17 7 11	78 62 41
Clyde	38 17 5 16	65 63 39
Hamilton	38 16 5 17	60 63 39
Kilmarnock	38 15 5 18	59 60 35
Clyde	38 15 4 19	60 88 34
Queen's Pk.	38 12 7 18	71 72 33
Falkirk	38 14 4 29	77 87 32
St. Mirren	38 11 8 10	49 72 30
Morton	38 11 7 20	58 83 27
Leith	38 8 11 19	51 85 27
Ayr	38 8 11 19	53 92 27
Hibernians	38 9 7 22	49 81 25
East Fife	38 8 4 26	45 103 20

SOUTH CHINA SCORE SIX GOALS.

Navy Net Twice in
Reply on Club Ground

On the Club ground yesterday South China defeated the Navy by six goals to two in a First Division League match. The Chinese played a much superior game and, as the result of goals by Chui Kwok-luen (2), Fung King-cheung and Ip Pak-wah held a four goals lead at half-time. Chui scored his second goal from a penalty kick for handling.

After the interval the Navy reduced the arrears when Redgate and Hawes found the net, but Fung King-cheung and Chui Kwok-luen sent South China further ahead.

Division I.

	P. W. D. L.	Goals.	F. A. Pts.
South China	20 17 1 2	60 20 35	
Kowloon	19 12 4 3	46 27 28	
Archers	19 14 5 5	43 32 26	
Native	20 11 2 7	63 39 24	
Athletic	19 10 1 8	36 27 21	
Borderers	18 9 2 7	36 26 20	
Revere	18 9 1 8	31 38 19	
R.A.	18 5 1 12	21 54 11	
Police	20 4 2 14	25 39 10	
Club	19 4 2 13	14 47 10	
St. Joseph's	20 3 0 17	22 56 6	

* Withdrawn from the League.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—Meeting of H.K.L.T.A. at 6.30 p.m.; Open Singles Championship Final—E. C. Fincher v. C. A. L. Runjahn at H.K.C.C. at 4.30 p.m.

CHESS—To-morrow—Kowloon Chess Club Junior Championship.

FOOTBALL—To-day—Division I. Club v. Kowloon on Club ground at 5 p.m.

Saturday—Division I.—Borderers v. R.A.; South China (Champions) v. Rest of the League on Club ground at 5 p.m.

HOCKEY—Saturday—Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club (Champions) v. The Rest of the League.

RACING—Saturday—Fourth Extra Race Meeting.

LAWN BOWLS—Saturday—Opening of League Season. May 9—Entries close for Open Singles Championship.

HOME.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—British Hard Court Championships at Bournemouth (Fourth Day).

CRICKET—Saturday—Opening of English Cricket Season.

RUGBY—Saturday—Rugby League Cup Final.

Yuk-wa.

Timekeepers:—Messrs. J. L. MacPherson, S. S. Leung, Ho Hin-kau, and Hon Lun-fong.

Scorers:—Messrs. D. Trafford and T. Mow.

Hon. Secretary:—Mr. Ho Ka-lau.

BEDFORD SCHOOL VICTORY.

Closely Followed by
Dulwich College.

INTER-SCHOOL BOXING.

Bedford School won the annual four-sided boxing competition between Bedford School, Dulwich College, Eton College, and Haileybury College, which was held at Dulwich on March 21. The final totals were as follow: Bedford, 21 pts.; Dulwich, 19; Haileybury, 16; Eton, 7.

The totals in the annual four-sided competition at Brighton were:

Brighton College, 33 pts.; St. Paul's School, 27; Lancing College, 3; Epsom College, 0.

CAMERONIAN WINS AT NEWMARKET.

Two Thousand Guineas
Result.

London, Yesterday.

The result of the Two Thousand Guineas, run to-day at Newmarket, over a course of one mile, was:

Cameronian 1

Goyescas 2

Orpen 3

Reuter.

U.S. BASEBALL.

RESULTS OF YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE GAMES.

New York, Yesterday.

The following are the results of matches played to-day in the National and American Baseball Leagues:

National League.

Cincinnati 3 Chicago 1

St. Louis 7 Pittsburgh 1

American League.

Washington 9 New York 5

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The time is coming when motorists will have little else to do but to steer their cars. Already automatic gear changing is an accomplished fact. The latest development is a car that automatically opens the garage doors without the driver leaving the seat.

I was privileged to witness a test with such a car, says the motoring correspondent of the Morning Post. It was a saloon fitted with a special dashboard wireless set which transmitted a signal that caused the garage doors to open by the driver simply pulling a knob.

Its owner drove me up the drive of his house with the car facing the garage. He pulled a knob on the dashboard and the doors opened. We drove in, and he pulled the knob, and the doors shut behind us.

Another Feat.

By this superfine accessory to the modern automobile does even more than this.

When the car's lamps were lighted the invisible signal from the dashboard not only caused the doors to open, but also turned on the lights in the garage itself, and when the doors were closed one could extinguish the garage lights from the car.

There are three parts in this clever device. A tiny transmitting set installed in the car, the receiving set mounted within the garage, and the door operating mechanism.

One can fix a special code for signals sent by the transmitter so that the car practically carries its own key to the garage. The electric current from the battery is no greater than required for lighting the side lamps, so consumption is small.

FORD PLANTS.

Story of a Great Undertaking.

In connecting the Rouge Plant and the old channel of the Rouge River it was necessary that the tunnel pass under main highways, street car tracks, railroads, bridges, a creek and a cemetery. One of the most difficult tasks was that of excavating, or, as it is termed, "pushing the shield" under Baby Creek at a point which is crossed by a railroad bridge and where also a large sewer is under construction by the city of Detroit.

The piles that provide the foundation for the bridges and those driven by the company constructing the sewer formed a network on each side of the creek. It was the task of the Ford engineers to burrow under the creek, sewer and bridge, going between the piles without striking or weakening them. This was accomplished.

In beginning the tunnel the engineers sank a shaft sixty feet straight down into the earth. They then began excavating the tunnel on a horizontal level. The boring is accomplished by means of a shield—a large steel cylinder fourteen feet long and twenty-one feet in outside diameter with a solid steel shell or skin two and a fourth inches thick. This shield has a bulkhead which is made fast near the front end. There are four openings through which the mud streams, like toothpaste from a tube as the shield is shoved forward by twenty powerful hydraulic jacks.

Great Cement Block.

As the mud is oozed through the shield openings, it is loaded into little cans that are drawn to the shaft by an electric engine and sent to the surface. In turn these cans haul great cement blocks each weighing 3,420 pounds, to the head of the tunnel.

When the shield has been pushed forward sufficiently, these blocks which are two and a half feet wide and five feet long, are set to form a ring around the circumference of the tunnel. There are ten blocks to a ring with one of them acting as a keystone so that the lining of concrete, which is eighteen inches thick, withstands the pressure of the earth.

When one ring of blocks has been set in place, the shield pushes forward again until sufficient progress has been made to permit the insertion of another ring. On an average, an hour and a half is required to complete one stage forward and a half an hour to set up a ring of the cement blocks. Occasionally, however, it is necessary to take down a part of the bulkhead to remove boulders which are in the line of progress.

230 Blocks a Day.

The concrete blocks are formed at the rate of 230 a day in a material plant that saw service in the manufacture of shells during the war. They are made of cement manufactured by the Ford Motor Company out of slag from the plant blast furnaces.

After the blocks have been set in place within the tunnel, steel forms are set up and filled with concrete to form a solid inner lining. This lining also is eighteen inches thick so that the circumference of the circle is composed of a three-foot section of concrete. The surface being smooth, will offer the least resistance to the free flow of the water.

Some idea of the tunnel and of the tremendous quantities of water consumed in the Ford planes may be gained by comparing its capacity with the water consumption of some of the larger cities.

At present the Rouge Plant is consuming half a billion gallons of water a day, not including that brought from the City of Detroit for drinking and other purposes. The new tunnel will have a normal capacity by gravity feed of 913,600,000 gallons per day, or 333,464,000,000 gallons a year.

Useful Comparison.

In the fiscal year 1929, the city of Detroit consumed 80,883,341,000 gallons to quench its thirst, flush its streets, sprinkle its lawns, do its manufacturing, accomplish its cooking and put out its fires. Cincinnati required 20,611,000,000 gallons; Washington, D.C., 23,851,000,000 gallons; and Philadelphia, 122,590,000,000 gallons. It will be seen, therefore, that the new Ford tunnel could supply the water consumed through the water departments of all these cities put together, and still have some eighty billion gallons to spare.

GENERAL MOTORS

Shows Big Drop in Earnings.

New York, April 23.—General Motors earnings for the first quarter of 1931 were only a little better than half of the earnings for the corresponding quarter in 1930, according to a report made to-day.

For the quarter just closed net earnings amounted to \$28,919,000, as compared with \$44,968,000 in the first quarter of 1930.—United Press.

Industrial Community A Complete "City."



Upper left—One of the many trains that operate over the "municipal railway" of "Dodge City." Upper right—The completely equipped Dodge Brothers school room, where a regularly constituted Director of Education presides. Left centre—No municipal department is any more thoroughly organized than the police force of this factory settlement. Right centre—The "Health Department" guards the physical welfare of its citizens closely. Minor cuts, scratches and bruises are given the immediate attention in the main hospital shown above and in six branch units. Lower left—The Post Office, where approximately 7,500 pieces of incoming and 12,500 pieces of outgoing first class mail are handled daily. Lower right—The cafeteria, where hundreds of the citizens of the "city within a city" are served every day. In addition to the cafeteria 32 lunch wagons are operated throughout the factory buildings.

MOST COSTLY CAR.

Owned by the Shah of Persia.

MOBIL-OIL LUBRICATED.

It is interesting to know that the motorcar described as the most costly in the world has recently come into the possession of its owner. The "most costly" car is a bejewelled Pierce-Arrow, designed as a parade car for public ceremonies, to the order of His Imperial Majesty Riza Khan, Shah of Persia.

Regal in appearance, the style of the Shah's new Pierce-Arrow resembles that of a Town Car. Although of unusually liberal dimensions, it is low-hung and graceful.

The chassis of the car is of standard Pierce-Arrow manufacture. The coachwork, however, represents the ultimate in luxury. Of spotless white, the exterior is richly relieved by stripings of gold and by the gold-plated metal work. Emblazoned on each door is the golden bas-relief replica of the Persian crown, mounted with a green jewel.

The interior is upholstered in a light champagne coloured silk rep, embroidered with wreaths, a family insignia. It is piped with white leather and edged with gold. The wood trim is inlaid satin wood. The side window curtains are finished in a figured design. The luxurious cushion is tailored in one expanse of cloth, as the Shah rides alone. On the floor is a rug of Russian wolfhound fur, imported especially for the car. A cigarette case and lighter, encrusted with diamonds, is within easy reach of the royal passenger.

The chauffeur's compartment also reveals a lavish use of gold plate, the steering column, the instrument mountings and the control levers all being finished with the precious metal.

Mobil-Oil is used for the lubrication of the Pierce-Arrow and also for the lubrication of the Rolls Royce which the Shah uses for journeys not of ceremonial character.

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"ALL PEOPLE EQUAL."

Nanking, Yesterday. The draft is published of China's provisional Constitution, which will be submitted to the People's Convention at Nanking on May 5 for discussion and adoption.

The preamble states that the National Government is desirous of promulgating the Constitution so that the realisation of a constitutional Government will be accelerated and political power be restored to a popularly-elected Government.

The document provides that China shall be a Republic with sovereignty vested in the people. During the period of political tutelage, according to the programme of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the Kuomintang will exercise its governing powers through the National Government on behalf of the people.

Legal Safeguards.

The draft provides that all the people shall be equal before the law, and shall only be arrested, imprisoned, tried or punished in accordance with law; and their houses and property shall not be subject to forcible entry, search or sealing except according to law.

It confers on the people freedom of assembly and formation of associations, liberty of speech and publication, freedom to form "occupational organisations" for bettering living conditions.

It demands that citizens have a duty to pay taxes and undertake military service.

The National Government is to have supreme command of the military, naval and air forces, and have power to declare war, negotiate peace and conclude treaties.

Provincial Powers.

The draft also provides that the Provincial Governors shall be under the National Government, except in Mongolia and Tibet, where "the system of local government shall be determined in the light of local conditions."

All provincial sub-districts shall be governed by magistrates, and the people will be able to elect representatives to the National People's Congress.

The National Government shall inaugurate employment bureaux and unemployment insurance, and take charge of those permanently disabled.—Reuter.

REBELLIOUS MOOD OF PORTUGAL.

Bishop Intercedes in Fight with Rebels.

STUDENT REVOLT.

Lisbon, Yesterday. It is authoritatively stated that so far there has been no fighting in Madeira. The operations against the rebels were interrupted as a result of the Bishop of Funchal's efforts at mediation.

The Spanish revolution and the rebellion in Madeira have inflamed sections of students in universities throughout Portugal against the rule of the Dictator, General Carmona. The Police evicted student demonstrators from the School of Medicine, University of Oporto, and one student was killed and 19 were injured by a collapse of scaffolding.

Seven Portuguese students were arrested on the Spanish frontier bearing pamphlets urging the students of Portugal to revolt.

The Government denies that the situation is disquieting, but admits that 10,000 troops are concentrated at various points to preserve order if necessary.—Reuter.

INDIA AND COTTON

(Continued from Page 1.)

who expressed themselves as "greatly impressed by their overwhelming case."

The Labour member, Commander, Commander Kenworthy, speaking in the Lobby subsequently as regards the deputation, deplored the boycott and said "One should tell these people that if we are going to attend the Round Table Conference it must be understood that is to be a fair crack of the whip and the freedom of trade."

Four members of the House of Commons—Messrs. Oliver, Compton, Tillet, and Hammersley—have been appointed as another deputation by the Committee of the Lancashire House of Commons group, which privately interviewed Mr. Wedgwood Benn on the same subject.

Situation Brighter.

The effect of the Irwin-Gandhi agreement on trade was dealt with by the Labour Member, Lord Snell, the new Under Secretary for India, in his first speech in the House of Lords in reply to a debate on India.

He said that the time was too short for a confident opinion in regard to the effect. He had no reason to believe that the undertaking in regard to the boycott of British commodities was generally being disregarded, though certain difficulties had arisen which the Government of India were considering.

He was informed that the open preaching of boycott as a political weapon had practically ceased, but efforts were still being made to persuade Indians to cease using foreign cloth. That was consistent with the agreement.

The Government of India had received the general impression that the sales of foreign, including British cloth, had increased, and that the existing stocks were being cleared. There was undoubtedly a widespread desire for peace throughout India. There were certainly difficult times ahead, but the Government saw nothing in the situation to justify a mood of pessimism.—Reuter.

PRINCES RETURN TO BRITAIN.

Head Winds on Flight from Paris.

MET BY DUKE OF YORK.

Rugby, Yesterday. The Prince of Wales and Prince George this morning flew from Le Bourget, Paris, in the giant air liner City of Glasgow and landed in Windsor Great Park at 1.15 p.m. The landing, which, at the request of the Prince of Wales was entirely without ceremony, marks the end of the 18,000 miles journey which the Princes have made since leaving Britain on January 15 to tour South America.

Head winds were encountered in the flight from Paris and the Princes' aeroplane was delayed for 40 minutes. Two Royal Air Force flying boats escorted the City of Glasgow across the Channel and on reaching the British Coast the Royal Air Force Squadrons took over the escort duties.

The Duke of York met his brothers when they landed on Smith's Lawn and motored with them to Windsor Castle, where the King and Queen affectionately greeted their sons.—British Wireless Service.

Earlier News.

London, Yesterday. The Royal Princes concluded their South American tour within a stone's throw of Windsor Castle, where Their Majesties were waiting to welcome them.

The Princes landed at Windsor Park from their air liner at 1.09 p.m.

Informal Homecoming.

Later. "Hullo, how are you?" said the Duke of York. "Fine!" replied the Prince of Wales and Prince George, after alighting from the air liner at Windsor Park. This was characteristic of the informal and unostentatious arrival of the Princes on their return from one of the greatest Royal tours in history, and was in keeping with the Prince of Wales's express wish.

There was a great crowd, but they scarcely cheered. There was no sign of emotional display as the Royal brothers stood chatting for ten minutes, concealed from the crowd by the air liner. They then drove to Windsor Castle where the King and Queen were awaiting them.

The Terrier's Joy.

An hour before the Princes arrived, an aeroplane alighted on the lawn of Windsor Park, and two Air Force officers emerged and prepared a direction arrow for the Royal plane, which appeared over the trees dwarfing its escort of five Siskin fighters and alighted a yard or two from the indication mark, then swept round facing a great crowd assembled near the Princes' waiting motor-car.

The Duke of York, accompanied by a few members of the household, walked across and was the first to greet his brothers, whom, after their informal greeting, he patted with questions about the tour.

Less formal was the welcome the Prince of Wales accorded Cora, his Caffra terrier, which on hearing his master's voice sprang from the motor-car and rushed to be fondled after the long absence.

The crowd lining the three miles of the Long Walk cheered the Princes as they drove to the Castle.—Reuter.

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